containing six sites that allow recombination activity; wherein recombination occurs between two six sites.

28. (Fifth Amendment) A method for mediating transgenic intramolecular recombination selected from deletions of DNA sequences located between two *six* sites and inversions of DNA sequences located between two *six* sites, in *in vitro* mammalian cells, comprising the steps of transfecting the mammalian cells with prokaryotic beta recombinase derived from *Streptococcus* and integrating DNA sequences containing *six* sites that allow recombination activity into chromatin of the mammalian cells; wherein recombination occurs between two *six* sites.



- 33. (Fourth Amendment) A method according to claim 27, wherein two or more intramolecular recombination events involving different DNA sequences located between different *six* sites occur at the same time.
- 35. (Twice Amended) A method according to claim 27, wherein an intramolecular deletion of DNA sequences located between directly oriented six sites is obtained.
 - 36. (Twice Amended) A method according to claim 27, wherein an intramolecular inversion of DNA sequences located between inverted repeated *six* sites is obtained.
 - 37. (Third Amendment) A method according to claim 27, wherein an intramolecular deletion of a DNA sequence located between two directly oriented *six* sites is obtained.
 - 38. (Fourth Amendment) A method according to claim 27, wherein an intramolecular inversion of a DNA sequence located between two inversely oriented six sites is obtained.

- 39. (Fourth Amendment) A method according to claim 27, wherein an intramolecular deletion of a DNA sequence located between direct repeated DNA sequences containing *six* sites is obtained.
- 40. (Fourth Amendment) A method according to claim 27, wherein an intramolecular inversion of a DNA sequence located between inverted repeated DNA sequences containing *six* sites is obtained.
- 41. (Twice Amended) A method according to claim 35, wherein the DNA sequences are located within an extrachromosomal DNA substrate.
- 42. (Twice Amended) A method according to claim 36, wherein the DNA sequences are located within an extrachromosomal DNA substrate.
- 43. (Fourth Amendment) A method for catalyzing site-specific resolution of DNA sequences located between *six* sites in an extrachromosomal substrate transfected into an *in vitro* mammalian cell, comprising the step of catalyzing the site-specific resolution with prokaryotic beta recombinase derived from *Streptococcus*; wherein recombination occurs between *six* sites.

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- 50. (Third Amendment) A method according to claim 66, wherein the *six* sites are wrapped on a nucleosome at several locations.
- 53. (Fourth Amendment) A method for mediating transgenic intramolecular recombination in *in vitro* mammalian cells, comprising the steps of transfecting mammalian cells with prokaryotic beta recombinase derived from *Streptococcus* and transfecting the mammalian cells with DNA sequences containing *six* sites that allow recombination activity; wherein recombination occurs between *six* sites and in the presence of cell factors comprising HMG1 chromatin-associated protein.

55. (Fourth Amendment) A method for mediating transgenic intramolecular recombination in chromatin structures of mammalian cells, comprising the steps of transfecting *in vitro* mammalian cells with prokaryotic beta recombinase derived from *Streptococcus* and integrating DNA sequences containing *six* sites that allow recombination activity into chromatin of the mammalian cells; wherein recombination occurs between *six* sites and in the presence of cell factors comprising HMG1 chromatin-associated protein.

- 56. (Twice Amended) A method according to claim 28, wherein an intramolecular deletion of DNA sequences located between direct repeated *six* sites is obtained.
- 57. (Twice Amended) A method according to claim 28, wherein an intramolecular inversion of DNA sequences located between inverted repeated six sites is obtained.
- 60. (Fourth Amendment) A method of mediating beta recombinase activity comprising the steps of transfecting *in vitro* mammalian cells with prokaryotic beta recombinase derived from *Streptococcus* and transfecting the mammalian cells with DNA sequences containing *six* sites that allow recombination activity; wherein recombination occurs between *six* sites.
- 61. (Twice Amended) A method according to claim 60, wherein recombination occurs in the presence of cell factors comprising HMG1 chromatin-associated protein.
- 64. (Amended) A method for mediating transgenic intramolecular recombination selected from deletions of DNA sequences located between two *six* sites and inversions of DNA sequences located between two *six* sites, in mouse cells, comprising the steps of transfecting mouse cells with prokaryotic beta recombinase derived from

Streptococcus and transfecting the mouse cells with DNA sequences containing six sites that allow recombination activity; wherein recombination occurs between two six sites.

65. (Amended) A method for mediating transgenic intramolecular recombination selected from deletions of DNA sequences located between two six sites and inversions of DNA sequences located between two six sites, in mouse cells, comprising the steps of transfecting mouse cells with prokaryotic beta recombinase derived from Streptococcus and integrating DNA sequences containing six sites that allow recombination activity into chromatin of the mouse cells; wherein recombination occurs between two six sites.

Please add claims 66-67 to read as follows:

--66. (New) A method for catalyzing site-specific resolution of DNA sequences located between six sites which are integrated into chromatin of an *in vitro* mammalian cell, comprising the step of catalyzing the site-specific resolution with prokaryotic beta recombinase derived from *Streptococcus*; wherein recombination occurs between two six sites.--



--67. (New) A method of mediating beta recombinase activity comprising the steps of transfecting *in vitro* mammalian cells with prokaryotic beta recombinase derived from *Streptococcus* and integrating DNA sequences containing *six* sites that allow recombination activity into chromatin of the mammalian cells; wherein recombination occurs between *six* sites.--